(3) मैसर्स शेवरन ओवरसीज पेट्रोलियम इंक लिमिटेड, अमेरिका

(4) मैसर्स आक्सीडेंटल इंजीनियरिंग सर्विसेज कंपनी, अमेरिका

(5) मैसर्स टोटल एक्सप्लोरेशन एंड प्रोडक्सन कंपनी, फ्रांस

(ग) इन बोलियों का मूल्यांकन करने के लिए श्री ए०बी० दास गुप्ता की अध्यक्षता में एक सलाहकार समिति का गठन किया गया था।

(घ) जी, नहीं

(ङ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(च) अब तक, इस मामले में कोई अंतिम निर्णय नहीं लिया गया है।

Bidding by Public Sector Units in Basic Telephone Services

2228. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had very categorically rejected any role for public sector units in the bidding process for basic telecom services even on the floor of the Parliament;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that the DOT on 27th May, 1995 in course of providing clarification admitted the possibility of PSUs being one of the partners in the bidder companies;

(c) if so, whether it amounts to misleading the Parliament on the one hand and the PSUs on the other to edge them out of the competition; and

(d) what remedial measures Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) A Government Company has not been allowed to bid in the tender for basic services. DOT is already providing basic services. It is proposed to bring about competition between the Government operator (DOT) & the private operators.

(b) Yes, Sir. A PSU can be part of a bidder company. The requirement is that majority of equity of a bidder company should not be held by the Government.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Developing Fighter Aircrafts by Pakistan with the help of China

2229. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report in the Tribune of 20th June, 1995, to the effect that Pakistan is developing fighter aircraft equivalent to US F-16s with the help of China in the context of US refusal to supply the balance of F-16s; and

(b) if so, what is Govenrment's reaction thereto; by way of developing matching technology and strengthening India's Airforce, especially in the background of Pakistan's Nuclear Weapon programme and its militancy against India?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE:) (a) Yes, Sir. Government are aware of the report of the joint efforts by Pakistan and China to develop the Super-7 aircraft;

(b) The security situation of India is constantly under review particularly in the light of developments in the neighbourhood Government will take all necessary measures designed to cope with any threat that may be posed to the security of the nation.

Benefits to Land Oustees

2230. SHRI SANATAN BISI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state: